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TO USLO PEKING PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, CH

SUBJECT: MEAT INSPECTION

REFS: (A) PEKING 0018

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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES USLO CONCERN TO AVOID APPEAR-  
ING PATRONIZING TO CHINESE AND CONCURS IN CHANGES PRO-  
POSED REFTTEL, PARAS. 3 AND 4 RPT 3 AND 4.

2. BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT FIRST OF TWO SENTENCES PROPOSED  
FOR DELETION IN REFTTEL, PARA. 5A RPT 5A (I.E., "THEY NEED  
NOT, HOWEVER, DUPLICATE THEIR UNITED STATES COUNTERPARTS  
VERBATIM") SHOULD BE RETAINED TO AVOID MISLEADING  
CHINESE. FACT \*S THAT ITHOUT VERY CLOSE CONCORDANCE  
BETWEEN FOREIGN AND U.S. REGULATIONS, ESTABLISHMENT OF  
COMPARABILITY VERY DIFFICULT. LAST SENTENCE OF THAT PARA.  
("REFERENCE TO UNITED STATES ORGANIZATIONAL...") MAY BE  
DELETED.

3. FOR SIMILAR REASONS, WE CANNOT CONCUR IN CHANGE PRO-  
POSED REFTTEL PARA. 5B RPT 5B, ADDITION OF PHRASE "OR  
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WHICH HAVE THE SAME INTENT AS". THE EASE WITH WHICH  
COMPARABILITY IS ESTABLISHED IS DIRECTLY PROPORTIONAL TO  
THE DEGREE OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE FOREIGN AND U.S.  
REGULATIONS. MOREOVER, "INTENT" IS TOO VAGUE A TERM;  
FOREIGN INSPECTION SYSTEMS MUST GIVE PROTECTION FULLY

EQUIVALENT TO US SYSTEM.

4. WE SHARE USLO'S APPARENT PESSIMISM ABOUT PROSPECTS  
OF CHINESE MEETING U.S. MEAT INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS IN  
THE NEAR FUTURE. WHEN USLO HAS MADE REPAIR PRESENTATION  
ON THIS SUBJECT, WE WILL IN FACT HAVE DONE EVERYTHING WE  
CAN TO DEFINE FOR THE CHINESE THE PROBLEMS THEY FACE IN  
ENTERING U.S. MARKET IN THIS AREA. IT SHOULD BE CLEAR  
TO PRC BY NOW THAT U.S. HAS VERY LITTLE FLEXIBILITY IN  
THIS MATTER. NEXT STEP WILL, AS USLO SUGGESTS, BE UP TO  
CHINESE, AND USLO PRESENTATION SHOULD ATTEMPT TO CONVEY  
THIS IMPRESSION TO CEROILFOOD. BECAUSE OF TECHNICAL  
N\* DEMA DING NAT\*\*E US MEAT IMPORT REQUIREMENTS, USLO  
SHOULD ADHERE CLOSELY TO LANGUAGE PROVIDED REF. (B) AND  
MINIMIZE EDITORIAL CHANGES. KISSINGER

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